



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Bengt GUSS *et al.*

Serial No. 09/147,405

Filed: April 1, 1998

For: New Fibrinogen Binding Protein Originating From Coagulase-Negative
Staphylococcus

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO COMPLY WITH
NUCLEOTIDE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE RULES**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the office action dated June 22, 1999, the period for response to which has been extended to October 22, 1999, by filing a petition for a three month extension of time and paying the required fee.

The office action includes a notice, a copy of which is attached hereto, requiring applicants to comply with the requirements for patent applications containing nucleotide sequence and/or amino acid sequence disclosures. The notice states that the application fails to comply with the applicable requirements. The notice requires applicant to submit an initial computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "sequence listing"; an initial paper copy of the "sequence listing", as well as an amendment directing its entry into the specification; and a statement that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same and, where applicable, include no new matter.

Submitted herewith is a labeled copy of the "sequence listing" in computer readable form as well as a paper copy of the "sequence listing" in satisfaction of the

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requirement.

Also submitted herewith is also an appropriate statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.821(f) and (g) which states that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same and that the present submission includes no new matter.

Lastly, in response to the requirement for an amendment directing entry of the sequence listing into the specification, applicants request the following:

Please amend the application as follows:

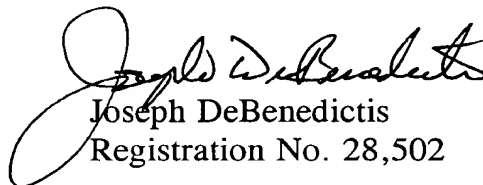
IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert the attached "sequence listing" in the specification after the drawings.

In view of the above submissions and amendment, applicants submit that the application is presently in full compliance with the requirements for patent applications containing nucleotide sequence and/or amino acid sequence disclosures.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: Oct. 22, 1999


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